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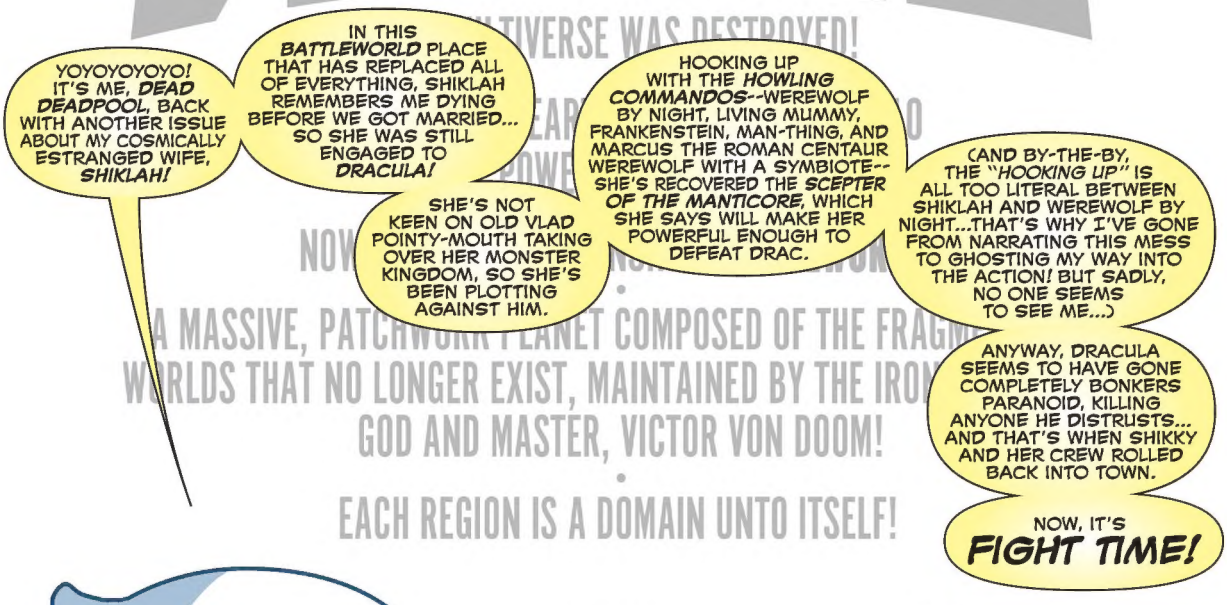
YOYOYOYOYO! IT'S ME, DEAD DEADPOOL, BACK WITH ANOTHER ISSUE ABOUT MY COSMICALLY ESTRANGED WIFE, SHIKLAH!
IN THIS BATTLEWORLD PLACE THAT HAS REPLACED ALL OF EVERYTHING, SHIKLAH REMEMBERS ME DYING BEFORE WE GOT MARRIED... SO SHE WAS STILL ENGAGED TO DRACULA!
SHE'S NOT KEEN ON OLD VLAD POINTY-MOUTH TAKING OVER HER MONSTER KINGDOM, SO SHE'S BEEN PLOTTING AGAINST HIM.
HOOKING UP WITH THE HOWLING COMMANDOS--WEREWOLF BY NIGHT, LIVING MUMMY, FRANKENSTEIN, MAN-THING, AND MARCUS THE ROMAN CENTAUR WEREWOLF WITH A SYMBIOTE--SHE'S RECOVERED THE SCEPTER OF THE MANTICORE, WHICH SHE SAYS WILL MAKE HER POWERFUL ENOUGH TO DEFEAT DRAC.
(AND BY-THE-BY, THE "HOOKING UP" IS ALL TOO LITERAL BETWEEN SHIKLAH AND WEREWOLF BY NIGHT...THAT'S WHY I'VE GONE FROM NARRATING THIS MESS TO GHOSTING MY WAY INTO THE ACTION! BUT SADLY, NO ONE SEEMS TO SEE ME...)
ANYWAY, DRACULA SEEMS TO HAVE GONE COMPLETELY BONKERS PARANOID, KILLING ANYONE HE DISTRUSTS... AND THAT'S WHEN SHIKKY AND HER CREW ROLLED BACK INTO TOWN.
NOW, IT'S FIGHT TIME!

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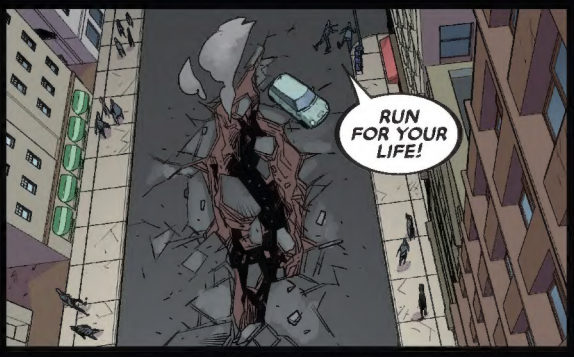
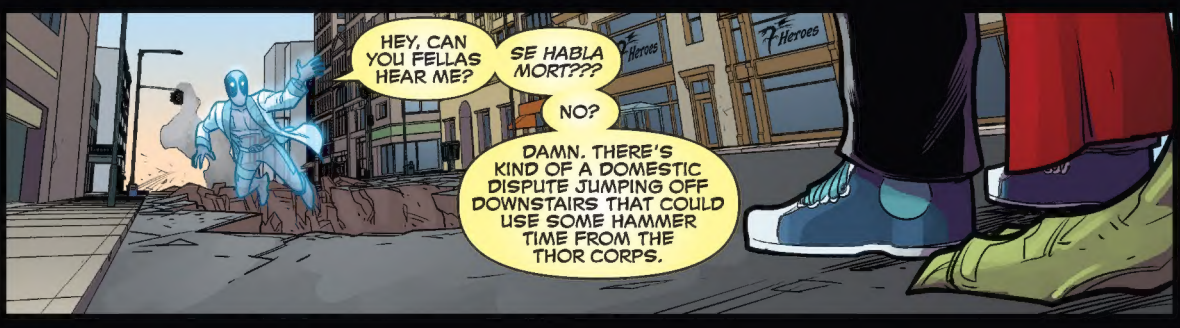

RUN FOR YOUR LIFE!

DAMN. I THOUGHT WE STRAIGHTENED THESE CELLAR-DWELLIN' SUCKERS OUT.

ZSZSGRAAKK!
YEAH, I HEAR THAT.
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GOING TO GO KICK SOME MONSTER TAIL.
SKRRAKK!
EASE UP. NOTHING PERSONAL.


HEY, CAN YOU FELLAS HEAR ME?
SE HABLA MORT???
NO?
DAMN. THERE'S KIND OF A DOMESTIC DISPUTE JUMPING OFF DOWNSTAIRS THAT COULD USE SOME HAMMER TIME FROM THE THOR CORPS.
Heroes
Heroes

OOF!

SKRAGH

FRANKENSTEIN'S MONSTER HATES YOU!

HOLD FAST, MY FRIEND!

LOOK OUT, MARCUS! ON OUR LEFT!

GRRAAARGH! HATE YOU BLOODSUCKERS!

FWASH

SHIKLAH, NOW WOULD BE A VERY GOOD TIME TO USE THE WEAPON!

THIS IS *MADNESS*, DRACULA!

LOOK AT WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO OUR HOME!

THIS KINGDOM IS *MINE* TO DESTROY!

I WILL REORDER IT AS I PLEASE!

IT IS DOOM'S WILL THAT *I* REIGN.

SKRREEAAAAA!!!
I'M NOT JUST HERE TO TOPPLE YOU, DRACULA...
I'M HERE TO END THE CURSE OF VAMPIRES FOREVER.
ZAARK
THE SCEPTER OF THE MANTICORE--IT CANNOT BE!
THAT WEAPON WAS LOST LONG AGO!
HOW DID YOU FIND IT?!
SKRACK
YEAAOW!
EASILY THE WORST PART OF BEING DEAD IS NOT BEING ABLE TO KILL PEOPLE ANYMORE. I BET I COULD WASTE A LOT OF FOOLS WITH THAT MONSTER-WHUPPIN' STICK.

URK.
WHY... WHY CAN'T I SKIN-SHIFT INTO MY WARRIOR FORM?
YOU THINK ME DEFENSELESS AGAINST YOUR KIND? MY ARMOR IS ENCHANTED AGAINST YOU.
MARCUS-- GRAB THAT SCEPTER!
FRANKENSTEIN-- CLEAR A PATH FOR MARCUS!
AND YOU--
--UNHAND SHIKLAH!
HOW MANY OF MY KIND HAVE YOU NEEDLESSLY SLAUGHTERED BECAUSE OF ONE SLIGHT OR ANOTHER? WE'RE NOT HERE FOR REVENGE. WE'RE HERE FOR JUSTICE.
YOU COULDN'T BE MORE WRONG...

YOU'RE HERE TO DIE!
YEAA--
HA-HA-HA-HA!
KRUNCK
JACK!
FATALITY!
LOOK, I'M SORRY--IT'S HARD FOR ME TO FEEL BUMMED, HE WAS ALL OVER MY OLD LADY.

THIS COULD BE GOING BETTER.
DID YOU SEE WHERE HER SCEPTER LANDED?
JACK!!!
CHOO-CHOO!
THAT WAY!
GOING UP!
GRAAAARGH!
WHAM
THIS REMINDS ME OF THAT NIGHT IN MIAMI.
NOT NOW, MARCUS.
IF THIS IS HOW IT ALL ENDS, I--
I KNOW, MY FRIEND, THE FEELING IS MUTUAL.
ANKK
LET'S TAKE AS MANY OF THEM WITH US AS WE CAN.
ANKK
INDEED!
BEST. WESTERN. EVER.

I BELIEVE THIS IS YOUR STOP!
LORD DRACULA, I HAVE HER WEAPON!
I'LL TAKE THAT!
ANK
SHIKLAH!
MONSTER, HELP HIM!
UHN.
FRANKENSTEIN... SORRY.
I'M ALL DRANK UP.

YEAAGH!
N'KANTU!!!
NO!!!
JOIN HIM--IN DEATH.
I GOT IT!
HERE, MASTER.
WELL DONE.

THIS IS ALL YOUR FAULT, SHIKLAH.
ACTUALLY, I THINK I'M KIND OF TO BLAME. I'M NOT EXACTLY THE GUARDIAN ANGEL TYPE.
DO WHAT YOU WILL TO ME, BUT LET THE SUCCUBI AND THE OTHER RACES GO. OSTRACIZE THEM.
I TRIED TO PREVENT THE LOSS OF YOUR LINE. WE WOULD BE STRONGER TOGETHER, BUT THE CONFLICT BETWEEN OUR KIND AND YOURS IS TOO DEEP, AND IT MUST BE BROUGHT TO A CLIMAX.
DRINK DEEP OF HER, AND HER ILK.
SNIFF OUT WHERE THEY HIDE. KILL THEM ALL.
NO!!!
I SAW MY OLD DEAD PAL BEN TRY THIS.
URKK.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
HEY, SUGAR-BITS-- CATCH!!!

WHOOPSIE! I DON'T KNOW WHY I DID THAT!
NO!
THIS IS WHY I ALWAYS TAKE OUT EXTRA INSURANCE ON ALL MY RENTALS.
YOU MORON!
GERAKK!
SPLACK
FAP
YES!!!
THIS HOLDS THE POWER OF AN ANCIENT STARLIGHT!

DIE, YOU SON OF A BITCH!
AAAAARRRRGHHH!
KABABOOM
THIS CANNOT BE...HOW IT ENDS... AT THE HANDS OF A WOMAN.
AND THE FOOT!
THIS IS FOR MY BROTHERS!
WHAK

DRACULA WAS A DEMENTED RULER WHO GREW MORE DEPRAVED OVER THE CENTURIES.
BUT HE WAS A *SINGLE CHAIN* AROUND OUR NECKS.
HE WAS NOT OUR KING, HE WAS OUR *CAPTOR!*
THE SURFACE DWELLERS BUILT THEIR CITIES OVER US! BURYING US, CONFINING US.
THE HUMANS LOOKED TO DRACULA TO KEEP YOU DOWN! THEY ARE TO BLAME!
NO LONGER WILL WE LIVE UNDER THEIR FEET LIKE BUGS.
WE WILL INHERIT THE EARTH!
RISE UP, AND FOLLOW ME TO GLORY!
WHOA, SIMMER DOWN, BRAVEHEART.
SHIKLAH.
C'MON! NOTICE ME!
DEADPOOL?!

DEADPOOL. WHY DOES YOUR WRAITH VISIT ME?
'CAUSE I *MISSED* YOU.
AND BECAUSE...
SHIKLAH, YOU *FREED* YOUR PEOPLE. DON'T NOW DESTROY THEM.
DOCTOR DOOM IS RUNNING THE SHOW UP THERE.
NOT YOU, TOO!
IF GOD DOOM WANTS US TO LIVE LIKE THIS--THEN HE SHOULD PREPARE TO BE *SMITED!*
YOU WON'T EVEN MAKE IT TO DOOM--HE HAS PEOPLE TO TAKE CARE OF PEOPLE LIKE YOU.
IT IS JUST AS WELL THAT YOU ARE *DEAD* IF YOU DON'T THINK I CAN CONQUER THE SOFT TOOTHLESS MONSTERS THAT LIVE ABOVE OUR HEADS.
AWAY WITH YOU!
FINE! I'M OUT OF HERE, I'M NOT GOING TO WATCH THIS!

WITH THE SCEPTER OF THE MANTICORE WE WILL BE UNSTOPPABLE!
THWOOM
BADOOM
THEY HAVE KEPT US DOWN FOR TOO LONG!
ONWARD TO VICTORY!
CLAIM YOUR BIRTHRIGHT UP IN THE SUN. THOSE OF YOU THAT CAN BE IN THE SUN, OF COURSE. I KNOW MANY OF YOU ARE PHOTOSENSITIVE.
BUT BACK ON TOPIC! WE WILL RISE UP AND SHOW NO--
...MERCY.

MAN, YOU PEOPLE JUST CAN'T TAKE A HINT.

AND DID YOU REALLY *WHACK* THE BARON OF THE MONSTER METROPOLIS?

'CAUSE THAT'S A RIP WITH A *HEAVY PRICE.*

SKGGKK!

AEEEEIIII!

ZAARK

WE WILL BE OPPRESSED NO LONGER!

ESPIN-VAL

LIGHT 'EM UP!
KRAKABAB OM

YEAAAAOWWW!
KRAK
I NEVER WANT TO NARRATE AGAIN.
NO...
THOUGH AT LEAST MY OLD LADY CAN'T BLAME ME FOR THIS.
KRAK
COOL AUNT BERU COSPLAY, WIFEY.
WOOOOW, WELL, THAT WHOLE TALE WAS UNEXPECTED.
EXCEPT FOR THE PART WHERE I TOLD HER THIS WOULD HAPPEN.

LET'S SEE "FORESHADOWING" UH...HMM.
UM, THIS IS NOT GOOD. HOPE THAT'S NOT WHAT THIS IS.
OH, GREAT. WELL, THAT'S A WRAP ON THIS ONE. SHIKLAH OVERREACHED AND BROUGHT THE WORLD DOWN AROUND HER HEAD.
WORST OF ALL, I'M STILL DEAD. I THOUGHT SHE WOULD BRING ME BACK.
WHAT'S THAT?
I ALREADY HAVE A NEW SERIES?
THEY JUST KILLED ME!
WHATEVER.
SEE YOU SOON, I GUESS.
GOODNIGHT.
HEY-- WAIT A MINUTE.
WHAT HAPPENED TO THE INVISIBLE MAN? DID HE LIVE? DID DRACULA KILL HIM?
IS-- IS SOMEONE IN HERE WITH ME?
KI-YAH!!!
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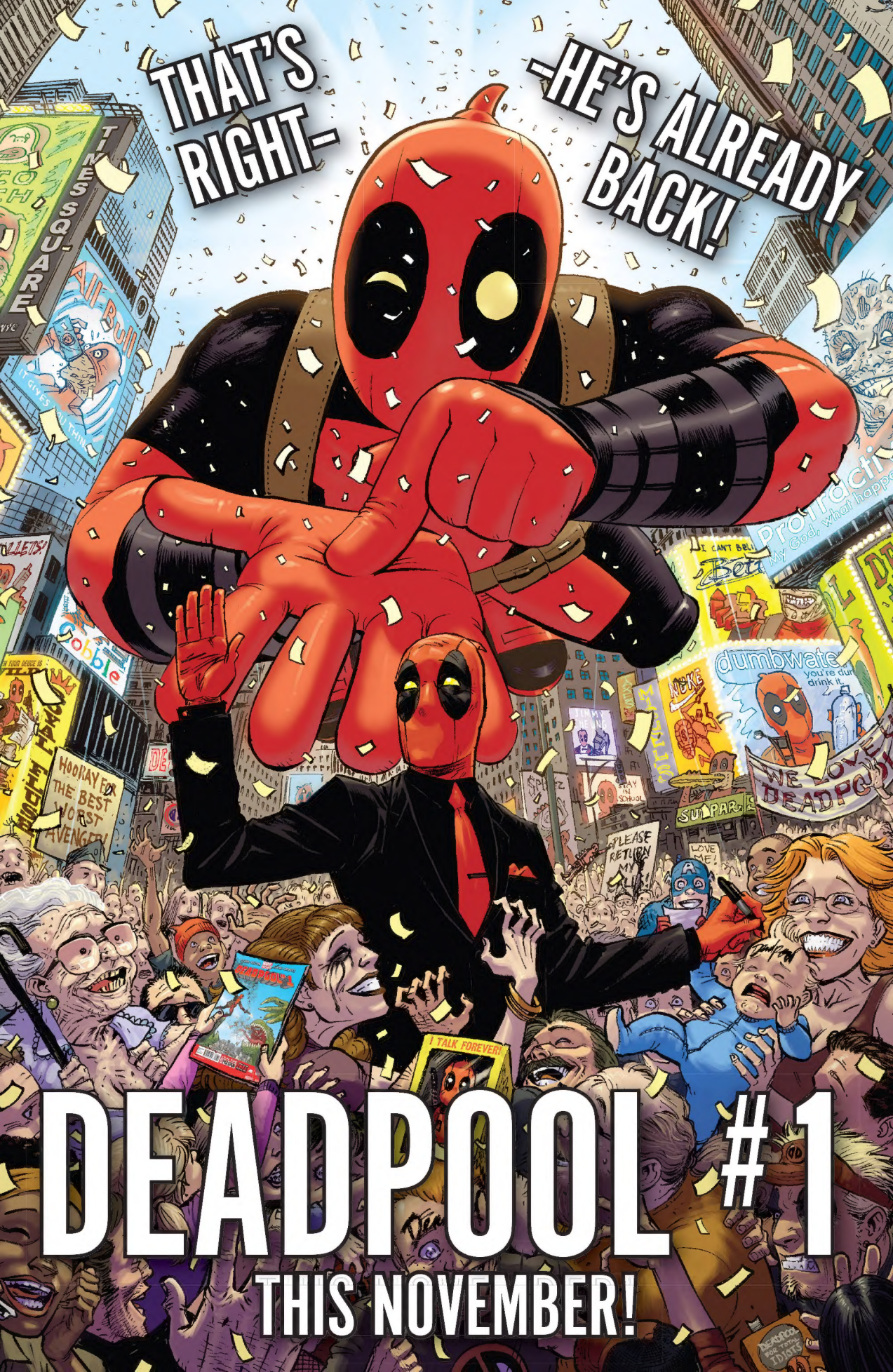
THAT'S RIGHT—
—HE'S ALREADY BACK!
TIMES SQUARE
All-Bull
Gobble
HOORAY FOR THE BEST WORST AVENGER!
I CAN'T BELI
Bets
dumbwate
you're dum
drink it.
WE LOVE DEADPO
PLEASE RETURN MY
LOVE ME!
I TALK FOREVER!
DEADPOOL #1
THIS NOVEMBER!